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Hon. James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
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Re: Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C
South Manchester Field
Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **MAYNE & MERTZ, INC.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, in South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, in South Manchester Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, said unit to be designated HBY RC SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate Mayne & Mertz, Inc. as operator of the proposed unit.
4. To designate the Mayne & Mertz, Inc. – Excalibur 22 No. 1 Well as unit well for the proposed unit.
5. To provide that any wells drilled to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, should be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).

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6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the aforementioned zone by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

7. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The Hackberry Zone, Reservoir C, in the South Manchester Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 11,834 feet and 12,854 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Mayne & Mertz, Inc. – Excalibur 22 No. 1 Well, located in Section 22, Township 10 South, Range 7 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.


Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, Telephone No. 337/232-5004.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held on November 10, 2004, in Lafayette, Louisiana, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. The conference was opened by representatives of the applicant who explained the bases for the unit being proposed. Questions were asked and answered. Two counterplans were presented by landowner representatives. The conference was adjourned without a resolution of differences. The applicant has reached a compromise with all parties except one of the parties presenting a counterplan. The principal issue relates to the placement of the southern boundary. Opposition is expected at the hearing to be scheduled in this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the applicant's proposal, along with the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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Attachments
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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

